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THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant

Tim E. Ward

Appl. No.

10/045,986

Filing Date

01/11/2002

Title

Echogenic Surface for Enhanced Ultrasonic Visibility

Group Art Unit:

3737

Examiner

Ali M. Imam

Docket No.

701470.48 (formerly 265/282)

Mail Stop Fee-Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450



RESPONSE/AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

Transmitted herewith is a response/amendment in the above-identified application in connection with the Office Action August 27, 2003.

Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 CFR § 1.136 [fees: 37 CFR § 1.17(a)(1)-(5)] for the total number of months checked below:

EXTENSION	FEE FOR SMALL	FEE FOR	FEE FOR OTHER THAN			
(months)	ENTITY	SMALL ENTITY				
one month	\$55.00		\$110.00			
two months	\$210.00		\$420.00			
three months	\$475.00		\$950.00			
four months	\$740.00		\$1,480.00			
five months	\$1,005.00		\$2,010.00			
		Fee	\$0.00			

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING 37 CFR §1.8

I hereby certify, pursuant to 37 CFR §1.8, that I have reasonable basis to expect that that this paper or fee (along with any referred to as being attached or enclosed) would be mailed or transmitted on or before the date indicated with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail on the date shown below in an envelope addressed to the Mail Stop Fee-Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dated:

November 25, 2003

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Applicant hereby submits notice that additional claims are filed with amendment.

	A. Deposit Account No. 15-0665. B. Payment Enclosed Check Credit Card Money Order Other										<u>5-0665.</u> and 1.17 to	
	Total	Claims	-		40	-	39	=	1	х	\$18.00	\$18.00
	Indep	endent	Claims		3	-	3	=	\$29 0.0 0	х	\$86.00	\$3.00
Multiple Dependent Claims			Claims	\$290	(if applicable)						\$0.00	
	TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS										\$18.00	
Reduction by ½ for Filing by Small Entity. Note 37 CFR §§ 1.9, 1.27, 1.28.									28.	\$0.00		
	Exten	sion of	Time (fr	rom above)							\$0.00
Assignment \$40 (if applicable) TOTAL FEES SUBMITTED HEREWITH									\$0.00			
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Respectfully submitted,

ORRICK, HERRINGTON & SUTCLIFFE LLP

Dated: November 25, 2003

Mark A. Stirrat

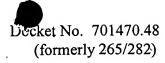
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Mail Stop Fee-Amendment Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed August 27, 2003, please see the Amendments and Remarks set forth below:

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